# Ukraine Agricultural Production and Trade May 2022

#### **Fast Facts**

- Ukraine is one of the world's top agricultural producers and exporters and plays a critical role in supplying oilseeds and grains to the global market.
- More than 55 percent of Ukraine's land area is arable land.
- Agriculture provides employment for 14 percent of Ukraine's population.
- Agricultural products are Ukraine's most important exports. In 2021 they totaled \$27.8 billion, accounting for 41 percent of the country's \$68 billion in overall exports.

## **Ukraine Agricultural Production and Exports (2022/23 Marketing Year)**

	Production			Exports		
Product	Volume (1,000 MT)	Rank Among Global Producers	% of Global Production	Volume (1,000 MT)	Rank Among Global Exporters	% of Global Exports
Corn	19,500	#8	1.7%	9,000	#4	4.9%
Wheat	21,500	#9	2.8%	10,000	#7	4.8%
Sunflower	11,000	#2	21.7%	750	#1	20.1%
Barley	6,000	#7	4.0%	2,000	#6	6.4%
Sunflower Oil	4,193	#2	21.9%	3,800	#1	36.3%
Sunflower Meal	4,027	#3	19.4%	2,900	#1	41.5%
Rapeseed	3,200	#6	4.0%	2,750	#3	16.6%

Source: USDA WASDE and PSD Database, updated May 12, 2022.

# **Ukraine Agricultural Exports (2021 Calendar Year)**

Product	Value	Top Markets				
TOTAL	\$27.8 billion	EU \$7.7B	China \$4.2B	India \$2.0B		
Sunflower Oil	\$6.4 billion	India \$1.9B	EU \$1.9B	China \$0.9B		
Corn	\$5.9 billion	China \$1.9B	EU \$1.8B	Egypt \$0.5B		
Wheat	\$5.2 billion	Egypt \$0.9B	Indonesia \$0.7B	Turkey \$0.4B		
Rapeseed	\$1.7 billion	EU \$1.1B	Pakistan \$0.2B	UK \$0.2B		
Barley	\$1.3 billion	China \$0.7B	Turkey \$0.2B	S. Arabia \$0.1B		
Sunflower Oilcake	\$1.2 billion	China \$0.6B	EU \$0.3B	Belarus \$0.1B		

Source: Trade Data Monitor LLC

#### **Sunflower**

Ukraine is normally the world's top producer of sunflower meal, oil, and seed and the world's top exporter of sunflower meal and oil. Sunflowers are sown in April and May, with harvest typically beginning in September. Production is primarily concentrated in the eastern and southeastern regions of the country.

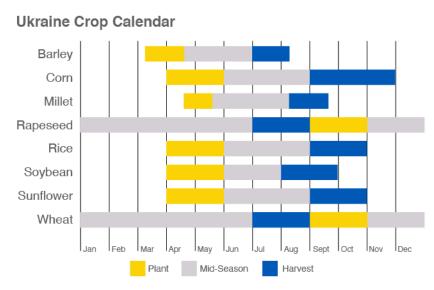
In marketing year 2022/23, Ukraine is projected to become the world's second-largest sunflowerseed producer after Russia, as production is expected to be down sharply reflecting challenges from the war. Ukraine has been top producer of sunflowerseed since 2008/09.

Ukraine normally produces one-third of the world's sunflower oil and accounts for nearly half of global exports; however, in marketing year 2022/23 Ukraine's share in global oil production and exports is projected to shrink to 22 and 36 percent, respectively. Top markets in 2021 were India (31 percent), the European Union (30 percent), and China (15 percent).

Ukraine normally supplies nearly two-thirds of the world's sunflower meal, with exports valued at \$1.2 billion in 2021. In marketing year 2022/23, Ukraine's share of global exports is projected to decline to 42 percent. Top markets in 2021 were China (48 percent), the European Union (25 percent), and Turkey (7 percent).

#### **Other Oilseeds**

In marketing year 2022/23, Ukraine is forecast to be the world's sixth-largest rapeseed producer and third-largest exporter. Winter rapeseed, which accounts for about 96 percent of Ukraine's total crop, is planted in September and October and harvested in July and August. Rapeseed is grown throughout the country but is concentrated in the south.



For soybeans, Ukraine is forecast to be the world's 12th-largest producer and eighth-largest exporter. Ukraine's soybean production and export account for less than 1 percent of global output and trade.. Soybeans are planted from April through May and harvested in August and September. Production is concentrated in the central and western regions of the country.

#### Corn

Ukraine is forecast to be the world's eighth-largest corn producer and the fourth-largest exporter in marketing year 2022/23. Through April 2022, Ukraine had shipped about 84 percent of its expected corn exports for the 2021/22 marketing year. In 2021, Ukraine's corn exports were valued at \$5.9 billion, with 32 percent of shipments destined for China and another 30 percent to the EU. Other key destinations include Egypt, Iran, and Turkey. Corn production occurs in the country's central to northern regions.

## Wheat

Ukraine is the world's ninth-largest wheat producer and is forecasted to be the seventh-largest exporter for the 2022/23 marketing year. In 2021, Ukrainian wheat exports were valued at \$5.1 billion, with Egypt, Indonesia, Turkey, Pakistan, and Bangladesh as the primary destinations. Through April 2022, Ukraine had shipped substantially all of its exports for the marketing year Exports for the 2022/23 exports are forecast down by nearly half. Winter wheat accounts for about 97 percent of Ukraine's total wheat production. It is planted from early September to mid-November and harvested between July and September. Production is concentrated in the southeastern region of the country.

### **Useful USDA Links**

World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates (WASDE): <a href="https://www.usda.gov/oce/commodity/wasde">https://www.usda.gov/oce/commodity/wasde</a> Production, Supply, and Distribution Database: <a href="https://apps.fas.usda.gov/psdonline">https://apps.fas.usda.gov/psdonline</a> Ukraine Crop Production Summary: <a href="https://apps.fas.usda.gov/psdonline/circulars/grain.pdf">https://apps.fas.usda.gov/psdonline/circulars/grain.pdf</a> Oilseeds: World Markets and Trade: <a href="https://apps.fas.usda.gov/psdonline/circulars/oilseeds.pdf">https://apps.fas.usda.gov/psdonline/circulars/oilseeds.pdf</a>